GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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VISIT OF SINGAPORE PM
CHANDRA NATH SINGH;NIVEDITA MANE;SADASHIVRAO DADOBA MANDLIK

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Prime Minister of Singapore visited India recently;

(b) if so, the issues which were discussed during his visit;

(c) whether any agreements were signed between the two countries;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether Pak sponsored terrorism against India also figured during the discussions; and

(f) if so, the stand taken by the Prime Minister of Singapore on this issue?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI VINOD KHANNA)

(a)&(b) Mr. Goh Chok Tong, Prime Minister of Singapore paid a State Visit to India from 7-9 April, 2003. Discussions covered bilateral, regional and international issues of common concern.

(c)&(d) A Declaration of Intent for concluding a bilateral Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement and an MOU concerning a Third Country Training Programme for new ASEAN countries were signed.

(e)&(f) The two sides exchanged views on the growing threat of international terrorism including in our neighbourhood.